

NOTICE OF PREPARATION ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

This is to inform the general public that the United States Army Corps of Engineers Los Angeles District (Corps) has preliminarily determined that the following project proposal could be adequately evaluated under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) through conducting an Environmental Assessment (EA).

Proposal Title

7-Day Film Shoot at Sepulveda Spillway, Sepulveda Flood Control Basin (Dam) Operations Area, US Army Corps of Engineers Los Angeles District.

Proposed Federal Action

A film company would conduct a film shoot concerning new vehicles at the Dam's concrete Spillway, downstream side, on **November 24-30, 2012**. Corps Operations Branch staff will monitor the activity to ensure no damage to the Corps flood control structures or adjacent Corps lands.

Location

The subject area is located at the unfenced areas of the top of Sepulveda Dam and on the downstream concrete Spillway in Encino, CA, County of Los Angeles, which is generally bounded by the 405 and 101 Freeways. The proposed area is an existing flood control Spillway structure composed of concrete and undeveloped open space.

Public Involvement

The Corps is inviting the general public to submit comments on potential environmental impacts that could result from implementation of the proposal. **The public comment period on preparation of an EA for the proposal described above will extend for 15 days, from November 2 - 17, 2012 and comments are requested be postmarked or received no later than 6 pm, November 19, 2012.** Please direct your comments to Carvel Bass, US Army Corps of Engineers at carvel.h.bass@usace.army.mil or by mail at 915 Wilshire Boulevard, Ste. 11098, Los Angeles, CA, 90017. If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Carvel Bass, Ecologist, Asset Management Division at (213) 452-3392.

The Corps will actively consider any comments timely received. The results of this consideration would be reflected in a memorandum for record placed in the Administrative Record, unless consideration of the comments was reflected directly in the EA, either through a modification of the document prompted by the comments or an appendix to the EA articulating responses to the comments. Once the EA is complete and if a FONSI is determined to be appropriate based upon the analysis contained in the EA, pursuant to the last cause of 33 CFR § 230.11, a separate notification will be sent to concerned agencies, organizations and to the interested public stating that the FONSI is available for review. If significant effects on the quality of the human environment are subsequently identified and can not be mitigated to a less than significant level, the Corps will initiate preparation of an EIS and afford the public opportunities to participate in the environmental review process.